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January 24, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

<b>Re:</b>	<b>Applicant:</b>	Ruby Mercado, Et al.
	<b>Title:</b>	Portable Carrying Devices
	<b>Application No.:</b>	10/008,570
	<b>Our File No:</b>	1001.300

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find the following:

1. Response to office action of 10/24/02 imposing a restriction requirement;
2. A petition for an extension of time to answer
3. Information Disclosure Form;
4. Form PTO/SB/08A listing various patents
5. Copies of all of the patents listed in Form PTO/SB/08A;
6. A Check in the amount of \$385 (\$180 pursuant to 37 CFR 17P and \$205 for a two month extension) the applicants are entitled to small entity status; and
7. A self-addressed, stamped acknowledgement card to indicate receipt of the above-referenced documents.

Should you have any questions or comments with regard to the above, please do not hesitate to call (949) 500-7811 and the undersigned will be happy to assist you.

Very truly yours,

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